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Response to Office Action

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Sir :

Responsive to the Office Action mailed 09/09/2003 setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply, expiring on December 9, 2003, applicants submit herewith a petition for two month extension of time for submission of this response which requests reconsideration of the rejection of claims in view of the following remarks.

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I hereby certify that this communication including a petition for 2 month extension of time (in duplicate) is being transmitted to the USPTO's Technology Center 1600 through the Before Final Facsimile Number, i.e. 703-872-9306 on January 27, 2004


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